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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
IN AND FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

17 GENOMIC HEALTH, INC.,
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19 Plaintiff and Counter-Defendant,
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21 v.
22 INCYTE CORPORATION,
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24 Defendant and Counter-Claimant.

No. 10-CV-03643 JSW

**JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT
STATEMENT AND RULE 26(f)
REPORT**

Date: December 17, 2010
Time: 1:30 pm
Courtroom 11, 19th Floor

Hon. Jeffrey S. White

Pursuant to the Court's October 4, 2010, Order Setting Case Management Conference and Requiring Joint Case Management Conference Statement, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(a) and (f), Local Rule 2-1, 16-9, and this Court's Civil Standing Order, counsel for Plaintiff Genomic Health, Inc. ("Genomic Health") and Defendant Incyte Corporation ("Incyte") have conferred regarding a discovery plan in this matter, the nature and basis of their respective claims and defenses, and the possibility of settlement. In accordance therewith, the parties submit this Joint Case Management Statement and Joint Rule 26(f) Report ("CMC Statement").

I. JURISDICTION AND SERVICE

Pursuant to this Court's Order of November 10, 2010, Denying Genomic Health's Motion to Remand, the Court has determined that it has subject matter jurisdiction over the entire action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 and 1338. The parties do not contest personal jurisdiction over them for purposes of this action. The parties further do not contest venue for purposes of this action.

All parties have been served.

II. BACKGROUND OF DISPUTE AND STATEMENT OF FACTS

A. PLAINTIFF'S STATEMENT OF FACTS

Genomic Health is a Redwood City based life science company founded in August 2000 and committed to improving the quality of cancer treatment decisions through genomics-based clinical laboratory services. The company currently offers molecular diagnostics for breast and colon cancer patients.

Genomic Health has developed the Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay, which predicts the likelihood that a patient with early-stage, ER-positive breast cancer will experience a recurrence within 10 years and whether that patient will benefit from adding chemotherapy to hormonal therapy. The selection and validation of Oncotype DX genes required thousands of research hours. Genomic Health has received multiple patents covering the elucidation of this valuable genomic information in exchange for making all of its cancer biomarkers, assay platform technology, and validation study data public.

1 In or about January 2004, Genomic Health commenced commercial marketing of the
2 Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay. Genomic Health's Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay is a
3 test which measures for the presence of the expression of portions of certain genes, and then
4 correlates those expression levels to give information about the patient's individual disease state.

5 One portion of the genes that are measured in the Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay is a
6 portion of a gene known as the CTSL2 gene, which encodes for a protein known as the Cathepsin
7 L2 protein. The CTSL2 gene is expressed in breast carcinomas but not in normal mammary
8 gland tissues. The Genomic Health Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay detects a certain limited
9 portion of the CTSL2 gene sequence. This limited portion of CTSL2, known as the "amplicon
10 sequence," comprises 67 nucleotides within the CTSL2 gene and does not comprise a DNA
11 encoding for a Cathepsin having cysteine protease activity, which the licensed '606 Patent
12 requires.

13 Genomic Health independently developed the Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay
14 utilizing public domain information. For example, the sequence for human CTSL2 was published
15 as early as 1998. (See W. Adachi, et al., Inves. Opthamol. Vis. Sci. 39(10):1789-1796 (1998); R.
16 Itoh, DNA Res. 6(2):137-140 (1999)). Further, the relevance of cathepsins to human breast
17 cancer was also in the public domain, including breast cancer microarray studies conducted by
18 Rosetta Inpharmatics. (See, e.g., L. van't Veer, et al., Nature 415:530-536 (2002); M.J. van de
19 Vijver, et al., NEJM 347:1999-2009 (2002).) The RNA primers and probes for a certain limited
20 portion of CTSL2 were designed based on public information available in NCBI GenBank. (See
21 GenBank Accession No. NM_001333, which does not have an identical sequence as the
22 sequences claimed for CTSL2 in Incyte's '606 or '893 patents, *infra*.)

23 On or about March 30, 2001, Genomic Health and Incyte entered into the LifeSeq
24 Agreement. Previously, three written amendments to the LifeSeq Agreement were entered into
25 respectively on December 21, 2001, July 19, 2002, and October 25, 2004. Under the terms of the
26 LifeSeq Agreement, Genomic Health obtained non-exclusive licenses to discover, develop, make,
27 have made, use, offer to sell, sell, import, and distribute Personalized Research product(s) in the
28 Personalized Research Field of Use under a Valid Claim of Defendant's Licensed Patents. For

1 any particular product, Genomic Health was obligated to pay certain milestone and royalties for
2 each product “under the respective license(s) as applicable.”

3 On or about September 16, 2003, U.S. Patent No. 6,620,606 (“’606 patent”) issued,
4 naming Defendant as the Assignee, and was thereby licensed under the LifeSeq Agreement.
5 However, the published ’606 Patent sets forth patent claims not actually allowed by the United
6 States Patent and Trademark Office. According to the prosecution history for the ’606 Patent,
7 Defendant narrowed all pending claims to include the limitations of “Cathepsin having cysteine
8 protease activity” or “Cathepsin” and further canceled then pending claim 30, and based upon
9 these amendments and cancellations, the Examiner allowed the pending claims. The published
10 ’606 Patent failed to reflect these amendments narrowing the scope of the claims, and the ’606
11 Patent published with the unamended claims.

12 In addition to not informing Genomic Health of the change in the scope of the license
13 under the LifeSeq Agreement by this mistake in the Patent Office, Defendant failed to pay the
14 maintenance fee due on September 16, 2007, for the ’606 Patent, and six months thereafter, the
15 ’606 Patent lapsed, relieving any contractual obligation under the LifeSeq Agreement to pay a
16 royalty for that licensed patent. Defendant never informed Genomic Health that the ’606 Patent
17 had lapsed, and Genomic Health was unaware the ’606 Patent had lapsed.

18 On or about April 13, 2004, Genomic Health sent to Defendant a milestone payment of
19 \$100,000 under the LifeSeq Agreement for the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay under the
20 mistaken belief that the licensed, but incorrectly published, ’606 Patent potentially covered the
21 CTSL2 gene sequence portion used in the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay, and thus the
22 \$100,000 milestone payment for a Personalized Research Product was due under the LifeSeq
23 Agreement. Genomic Health mistakenly commenced on June 29, 2004 quarterly royalty
24 payments under the LifeSeq Agreement for commercial sales of the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer
25 Assay as it misapprehended the license’s scope due to the Patent Office mistake and the failure of
26 Defendant to inform Genomic Health of the license’s proper scope. Genomic Health made such
27 payments up to March 1, 2010. The overpaid royalty payments not in fact due under the LifeSeq
28 Agreement total \$3,476,681.47.

1 When the correct facts came to Genomic Health's attention, it ceased further payments
2 and demanded the return of amounts paid outside the proper scope of the LifeSeq Agreement.
3 Defendant refused, and thus Genomic Health filed suit on July 8, 2010, in the Superior Court of
4 the County of San Mateo, asserting a cause of action for money had and received and a cause of
5 action for unjust enrichment.

6 **B. DEFENDANT'S STATEMENT OF FACTS**

7 Incyte is a Wilmington, Delaware-based drug discovery company whose mission is to
8 develop and introduce advanced therapeutic treatments to patients suffering from diseases such as
9 cancer, inflammation, and diabetes. From its inception until about December 2002, Incyte, then
10 called Incyte Genomics, Inc., was a leading genomic-based information supplier. During this
11 time, Incyte developed the LifeSeq Database, a gene sequence database which provided
12 researchers with a comprehensive view of the entire human genome, comprised of proprietary
13 information regarding full-length human genes and the proteins they encode. The more than
14 120,000 gene transcripts contained in the LifeSeq Database were used for the identification of
15 research targets and the discovery and development of new drugs and diagnostics. Incyte used,
16 licensed, and sold this information to many pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies to help
17 them create more effective therapies. At the end of 2002, in pursuit of a broader mission, Incyte
18 began its shift from a genomic-based information supplier to the fully integrated drug and
19 development organization that it is today.

20 Genomic Health is in the business of developing and commercializing genomic-based
21 diagnostic tests and services. In order to facilitate the research and development of genomic-
22 based diagnostic tests and services, Genomic Health and Incyte entered into the LifeSeq
23 Collaborative Agreement on or about March 20, 2001. The parties made three subsequent
24 amendments to the LifeSeq Collaborative Agreement, dated December 21, 2001; July 19, 2002;
25 and October 25, 2004 (collectively referred to as the "LifeSeq Agreement").

26 Under the LifeSeq Agreement, Genomic Health received substantial benefits. First,
27 Genomic Health received a non-exclusive license to practice Incyte Patent Rights, as defined in
28 the LifeSeq Agreement, without being sued or otherwise held liable for infringement. Second,

1 Genomic Health was given access to Incyte's LifeSeq Database Products, which contain genomic
2 data including information relating to DNA/RNA sequences, single nucleotide polymorphisms,
3 and the expression of genes in cancer cells as well as other genomic information. Third, Genomic
4 Health received access to Incyte Know-How, as defined in the LifeSeq Agreement.

5 Pursuant to the LifeSeq Agreement, milestone and royalty payments "will accrue or
6 become due or payable with respect to Product(s) which are covered by a Valid Claim of Incyte
7 Patent Rights." LifeSeq Agreement, Amend. 3 at ¶ 15. Further, milestone and royalty payments
8 "will accrue or become due or payable with respect to Product(s)... identified or discovered by a
9 process which (i) utilizes a Gene which is covered by a Valid Claim of Incyte Patent Rights and
10 (ii) where the use of such Gene for such identification or discovery would have constituted an
11 infringement of Incyte Patent Rights but for licenses granted hereunder."¹ *Id.* Thus, under the
12 terms of the LifeSeq Agreement, the obligation to pay royalty payments can attach under certain
13 circumstances regardless of whether the relevant patent remains in force. Additionally, Section
14 4.2 of the LifeSeq Agreement provides that payments are due with respect to products covered by
15 the license to Incyte Know-How.

16 Among the patents licensed to Genomic Health under the LifeSeq Agreement were U.S.
17 Patent Nos. 6,620,606 ("the '606 patent") and 6,033,893 ("the '893 patent"), which claim
18 inventions relating to the Cathepsin L2 gene (CTSL2).

19 In 2004, approximately three years after entering into the LifeSeq Agreement, Genomic
20 Health marketed its first product, the Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay. Genomic Health's
21 Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay measures the expression of 21 different genes in a tumor
22 sample. The Cathepsin L2 gene, or CTSL2, is one of the 21 genes whose expression is measured
23 by the Oncotype DX[®] Breast Cancer Assay.

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25 ¹ The citations are to Section 4.3 of the LifeSeq agreement as amended. Section 4.3 of the
26 original LifeSeq Agreement contains virtually identical provisions. Specifically, Section 4.3 of
27 the original LifeSeq Agreement states "The foregoing payments under Section 4.2 will accrue
28 or become payable with respect to Product(s) which ... (b) are covered by a Valid Claim of
Incyte Patent Rights and/or which Product is identified or discovered by process which utilizes
a Gene which is covered by a Valid Claim of Incyte Patent Rights." LifeSeq Agreement at §
4.3.

On or about April 13, 2004, Genomic Health made a milestone payment for the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay pursuant to the LifeSeq Agreement without advising Incyte of the reason for making the payments other than that they were pursuant to the LifeSeq Agreement. That is, Genomic Health failed to tell Incyte that the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay practiced a claim of the ‘606 patent. Moreover, Incyte does not know – and has no way of independently knowing – whether the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay, was “identified or discovered by a process which . . . utilizes a Gene which is covered by a Valid Claim of Incyte Patent Rights . . . where the use of such Gene for such identification or discovery would have constituted an infringement of Incyte Patent Rights” but for the LifeSeq license. Nor does Incyte at this point know whether its licensed Know-How was used in the development of the assay. At this time, Incyte had hundreds of gene patents and patent applications, and it had no duty under the LifeSeq Agreement to inform Genomic Health about the status of any of them.

Genomic Health continued to make royalty payments for the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay from about June 29, 2004, to about March 1, 2010, at which time it ceased making payments and demanded a refund of the payments it had made.

III. THE PRINCIPAL LEGAL ISSUES IN DISPUTE

The parties dispute the following legal issues and/or that as framed, such legal issues are properly before the Court:

1. Whether Genomic Health’s *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay was outside the scope of licensed Incyte’s patents as narrowed such that Genomic Health made a mistake of fact when making payments to Incyte under the LifeSeq Agreement between 2004 and March 2010;
2. Whether Genomic Health was or is obligated under the LifeSeq Agreement at any time between 2004 to present to pay royalties to Incyte;
3. Whether Incyte failed to perform under the LifeSeq Agreement by failing to inform Genomic Health of its narrowed patent claims;
4. Whether Genomic Health breached the LifeSeq Agreement by failing to inform Incyte of its belief that the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay practiced a valid claim of the ‘606 patent;

5. Whether Genomic Health is fully relieved from its obligations under the LifeSeq Agreement due to Incyte's failure to maintain the '606 Patent;

6. Whether Genomic Health is entitled to a refund of some or all of the royalties paid to Incyte under the LifeSeq Agreement, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs;

7. Whether the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay or any other Genomic Health products developed between 2001 and present are covered by a valid claim of Incyte patent rights; were identified or discovered by a process which utilizes a gene that is covered by a valid claim of Incyte Patent Rights, or were developed using Incyte Know-How;

8. Whether Genomic Health breached the LifeSeq Agreement by ceasing to make royalty payments for the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay after March 1, 2010 or otherwise failing to make required payments for any Genomic Health product;

9. Whether Incyte has alleged and maintains based upon proper Rule 11 inquiry that the dispute extends beyond Genomic Health's *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay; and

10. Whether Genomic Health has a continuing obligation to make royalty payments to Incyte under the LifeSeq Agreement.

IV. ANTICIPATED MOTIONS AND HEARINGS

Pending Motions. No pending motions are currently in front of the Court in this action.

Discovery Motions. The parties anticipate the use of discovery motions only as necessary to obtain responsive discovery.

Pre-Trial Motions. The parties anticipate filing motions for summary judgment. Genomic Health anticipates filing an early summary judgment motion as the abandonment of the '606 patent, the amount paid to Incyte by Genomic Health and the fact that the Patent Office published the incorrect claims are not in dispute.

V. AMENDMENT OF PLEADINGS

The parties do not contemplate adding any additional parties. The parties agree that the last day to amend the pleadings is May 1, 2011.

1 **VI. EVIDENCE PRESERVATION**

2 The parties have taken appropriate steps to preserve any and all evidence that may be of
3 relevance to the issues in the present action.

4 **VII. DISCLOSURES**

5 The parties exchanged their initial disclosures pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a) on
6 December 3, 2010.

7 **VIII. DISCOVERY**

8 The parties conducted their Rule 26(f) Conference on November 19, 2010.

9 **Status of Discovery.** The parties have initiated written discovery at this time. Incyte
10 served its First Set of Requests for Production on Genomic Health on December 3, 2010, and
11 Genomic Health served interrogatories, document requests and requests for admission on
12 December 10, 2010.

13 Genomic Health contends as follows: Genomic Health believes that the case is ripe for
14 expedited resolution, including expedited discovery. As alleged in the pleadings, the dispute
15 centers on whether a gene in Genomic Health's *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay is covered
16 by a Valid Claim of an Incyte Patent, or, as Incyte further contends, such a covered gene was used
17 in the product's development. The parties' pleadings contend that other products are at issue.
18 Specifically, Incyte has not alleged in its counterclaim that Genomic Health breached the LifeSeq
19 Agreement by failing to pay royalties due on other products, such as the *Oncotype DX*[®] Colon
20 Cancer Assay. Genomic Health does not challenge validity. Thus, the issues as framed by the
21 pleadings are narrow and lend themselves to streamlined and expedited resolution.

22 Incyte contends as follows: Incyte does not agree that the case can be handled in an
23 expedited fashion. Substantial discovery will be required to determine the manner by which the
24 *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay, the *Oncotype DX*[®] Colon Cancer Assay and other Genomic
25 Health products developed between 2001 and present were developed, including identification of
26 any gene used for during development, and whether they are or were covered by a valid claim of
27 Incyte patent rights. Only by answering those questions can the Court determine whether royalty
28 payments are or were due.

1 Unless otherwise stated herein, the parties will follow the general rules and limitations on
2 discovery as set forth in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Civil Local Rules, Standing Orders
3 and other orders issued by the Court in this matter.

4 **Depositions.** No depositions have been taken in this case to date. Genomic Health
5 proposes **five (5) depositions** per side, not including depositions of experts. Incyte proposes **ten**
6 **(10) depositions** per side, not including depositions of experts.

7 **Interrogatories.** The parties propose that each side serve no more than **twenty-five (25)**
8 **interrogatories**, pursuant to Fed R. Civ. P. 33.

9 **Scope of Anticipated Discovery.** The subjects of information for Genomic Health to
10 prove its claims and for Defendant to defend against these allegations and prove its affirmative
11 defenses and/or counterclaims will be: the prosecution and maintenance of the '606 and '893
12 Patents, identification and use of gene sequences in the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay;
13 Genomic Health's use of the LifeSeq Database; payment of amounts under the LifeSeq
14 Agreement; Incyte further contends that the scope of anticipated discovery further entails the
15 development, composition and use of the *Oncotype DX*[®] Colon Cancer Assay and all other
16 Genomic Health products which have been developed or discovered between 2001 and present;
17 and all financial records related to Genomic Health's products developed between 2001 and
18 present. Genomic Health's position is that Incyte has made no allegation under Rule 11 in its
19 counterclaim for breach of contract that such subject matter is at issue.

20 **Electronically Stored Information.** The parties agree to produce electronically stored
21 information in single-page .tiff format.

22 **Protective Order.** The parties contemplate that a protective order governing the
23 treatment of confidential information will be required. The parties expect to submit a stipulated
24 protective order that is similar to the model Stipulated Protective Order of the Northern District
25 of California, with various modifications.

26 **Schedule.** Proposed discovery and disclosure deadlines are set forth below in Section
27 XVIII.
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IX. CLASS ACTIONS

This action is not a class action.

X. RELIEF

Genomic Health seeks a judgment of relief from the obligations under the LifeSeq Agreement, for repayment from Incyte in the amount of \$3,576,681.47 incorrectly paid for the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay, or as may be adjusted according to proof, for interest on the sum as allowed by law, and for other relief as the Court may order.

Subject to what discovery shows to be the full extent and/or nature of the injuries Incyte has suffered and continues to suffer for Genomic Health's breach of the LifeSeq Agreement, Incyte seeks damages to compensate Incyte for all royalties accrued under the LifeSeq Agreement that have not been paid by Genomic Health, including all royalties owed on continued sales of the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay. Incyte further seeks attorneys fees and costs and any further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

XI. SETTLEMENT AND ADR

Genomic Health believes that this case may benefit from an early ADR discussion and has offered to Incyte to mediate through a private mediator, such as Magistrate Judge Infante of JAMS. Incyte is amenable to this position.

XII. CONSENT TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Incyte has declined to proceed before a Magistrate Judge. This case has been reassigned to the Honorable Jeffrey S. White.

XIII. OTHER REFERENCES

This case is not suitable for reference to binding arbitration, a special master, or the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.

XIV. NARROWING OF ISSUES

The parties will most likely file one or more dispositive motions seeking to narrow the issues in this case. Both parties anticipate filing one or more motions for summary judgment.

XV. EXPEDITED SCHEDULE

Genomic Health believes the case is ripe for expedited handling. Genomic Health does not challenge the validity of the Incyte patents. The only issues are the scope of a patent, and the legal effect of that scope and the patent's abandonment by Incyte under the LifeSeq Agreement to the genetic sequences detected by the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay.

As noted above in Section VIII, Incyte does not believe that this case can be resolved using an expedited schedule and seeks broader discovery to fairly address the claims of both parties. Due to the manner by which the parties agreed, under the LifeSeq agreement, how and when royalty payments would be due and how much, Incyte must discover the details of Genomic Health's products and the manner by which they were developed. Incyte does not agree that the question of entitlement to royalties is necessarily limited to the *Oncotype DX*[®] Breast Cancer Assay.

XVI. SCHEDULING

The parties propose that the Court adopt the following schedule based on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Local Rules and applicable Standing Orders.

Event	Genomic Health's Proposed Date	Incyte's Proposed Date
Case Management Conference	12/17/2010	12/17/2010
Fact Discovery cut-off	07/01/2011	9/30/2011
Disclosure of Expert Reports [On issue party bears burden of proof]	05/09/2011	12/02/2011
Rebuttal Expert Report	06/01/2011	1/13/2012
Expert Discovery cut-off	07/01/2011	2/10/2012
Last Day to File Summary Judgment Motions	09/02/2011	3/01/2012
Trial (5 Days)	To be scheduled at the Court's convenience	To be scheduled at the Court's convenience

XVII. TRIAL

Genomic Health estimates that trial will require 5 days and requests that it be set as early as possible following resolution of summary judgment motions. At this point, before any discovery has been taken, Incyte estimates that trial will last 5 to 7 days.

XVIII. DISCLOSURE OF NON-PARTY INTERESTED ENTITIES OR PERSONS

Both parties have has filed the "Certification of Interested Entities or Persons" required by Civil Local Rule 3-16.

Respectfully submitted,

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SIGNATURE ATTESTATION

Pursuant to General Order 45.X(B), I hereby attest that concurrence has been obtained from Mark D. Flanagan indicated by a "conformed" signature (/s/) within this e-filed document.

/s/ William G. Gaede, III
William G. Gaede, III